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SETTING UP OF JOINT VENTURE COMPANY BY BSNL
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is contemplating to set up joint venture company for manufacturing broadband equipment in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether BSNL has taken decision to revive its seven manufacturing units through Joint Venture Companies;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a)&(b) Yes Sir.BSNL has invited an Expression of Interest for forming a Joint Venture for manufacturing broadband customer premises equipment (ADSL 2+ CPEs) at Telecom Factory,Kolkata.

(c) All the seven manufacturing units are operational.

(d) Do not arise in view of (c) above.